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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)		Docket Number (Optional) 30151/38183
	In re Application of Bernd Lohmuller et al.	
	Application Number 10/069,302	Filed May 10, 2002
	For ANNEALING PLANT	
	Art Unit 1725	Examiner Len Tran

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

The requested extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee are as follows (check time period desired):

<input type="checkbox"/>	One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))	\$ _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))	\$ 420.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/>	Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/>	Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))	\$ _____

- Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown above is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is: \$ 210.00
- A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.
- Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.
- The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.
- The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 13-2855

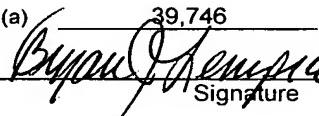
I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.

- I am the applicant/inventor.
 assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71.
Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96).
 attorney or agent of record. Registration Number _____
 attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34(a).

Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34(a) 39,746

July 19, 2004
Date

(312) 474-6300
Telephone Number


Signature

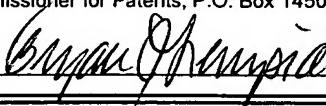
Bryan J. Lempia
Typed or printed name

NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below

<input type="checkbox"/>	Total of 1 forms are submitted.
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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service with sufficient postage as First Class Mail, in an envelope addressed to: MS RCE, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on the date shown below.

Dated: July 19, 2004

Signature:  (Bryan J. Lempia)